

In the claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising ~~at least 24 contiguous~~ bases of the nucleotide sequence ~~first disclosed in~~ of SEQ ID NO:1.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Original) An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding the amino acid sequence described in SEQ ID NO:2.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Original) An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding the amino acid sequence described in SEQ ID NO:4.

6. (New) A recombinant expression vector comprising the isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 5.

7. (New) The recombinant expression vector of claim 6, wherein said nucleic acid molecule comprises the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:3.

8. (New) The recombinant expression vector of claim 6, wherein said nucleic acid molecule encodes the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2.

9. (New) The recombinant expression vector of claim 8, wherein said nucleic acid molecule comprises the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.

10. (New) A host cell comprising the recombinant expression vector of claim 6.

11. (New) The host cell of claim 10, wherein said recombinant expression vector comprises a nucleic acid molecule comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:3.

12. (New) The host cell of claim 10, wherein said recombinant expression vector comprises a nucleic acid molecule encoding the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2.

13. (New) The host cell of claim 12, wherein said recombinant expression vector comprises a nucleic acid molecule comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.